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## THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Observations of Passing Events.

QUITE a number of people in this country have been predicting for some time that the United States Government would sooner or later be drawn into a war with Japan. That there are blood-thirsty Japanese, not a few, who desire such a war is shown by a dispatch sent out from Washington city to the effect that the Japanese on the Pacific Coast have entered into a contract with the progressive, or anti-American, party in Japan to aid in overthrowing the ministry for the purpose of securing a government more hostile to the United States. This Washington dispatch says the Japanese on the Pacific coast are raising thousands of dollars to aid in carrying out the purposes of their organization. It also declares that just before Yamakoa's departure from Seattle for Tokio, May 14, Takasashi sent a telegram from Washington as follows: "Depart for Japan instantly and arouse public opinion as we understand before. There is no hope with the Japanese embassy here." In the meantime Secretary Taft hastens to assure the American people that there need be no fears of hostilities breaking out between this country and Japan, but adds that there is to be no cringing before the Japanese government.

**Are We to Have War With Japan?**  
The law abiding people of the State are anxiously waiting to hear of the arrest and punishment of the ruffian Grubb who insulted Mr. R. D. W. Connor and disturbed an educational meeting in Davidson county some days ago. It is hardly fair for good people that such cattle should be permitted to run at large. The Raleigh Times comments as follows: "A noticeable circumstance connected with the ruffianly behavior of a distiller by the name of H. Clay Grubb as reported from Boone township, Davidson county, when he insulted R. D. W. Connor in the midst of his address in favor of a school tax and brought on the fight that broke up the meeting, is that the disturber of the peace and the breaker up of the meeting was not promptly arrested. Are we to infer that there was no officer of the law at the meeting? Where was the township constable, we are fair to ask? If there was no constable or police at all at that meeting, it ought to be a lesson to the authorities of Boone to require in the future a constable or officer of some kind whose duty it is to preserve the peace to be at all public meetings. A story of that kind going the rounds of the press hurts the reputation of the State incalculably. It was disgraceful that any one man should have been allowed to exercise rowdy tactics and effect his evident purpose of breaking up an educational meeting. We are anxious to hear of his arrest and punishment."

**Anxious to Hear of His Arrest and Punishment.**  
The good suggestion comes from several sources that southern flour manufacturers should pack their flour in bags altogether. There are several good reasons why this suggestion should be heeded and put into practice. In the first place, barrels cost more than sacks, which would cheapen the cost of flour some to the consumers. And as many farmers in the South do not raise wheat but buy flour they would realize quite an advantage in the reduced cost, although it might be small in each case. But the greatest and most important reason why southern manufacturers should pack flour in cotton bags, is the additional demand it would make for cotton. The supply of wood with which to make flour barrels is all the while reducing and it would be economy to substitute cotton bags for barrels; and the use of the bags would greatly increase the demand for cotton. All this would work directly to the interest of the farmers and we believe the Southern Cotton Association may render the southern farmers a great service by taking up the matter and pushing it into practice. It should appeal to southern farmers especially, as the larger the demand for cotton the better will be the price. And it should not raise any opposition with those who furnish the timber from which flour barrels are made, for the demand for timber is also increasing all the time. It is a question of importance and should be taken up at once.

**Cotton Bags for Flour.**  
It is a pity that sometimes people have to wait a lifetime before a neighbor's character and worth can be fully known and appreciated. So many errors in judgment have to be borne that sometimes a man has to die before the real truth and power of his life's purpose may be impressed even upon those who think they know him well. If this is true with reference to those whose relations with one are to be considered friendly and sympathetic, how much more is it true with regard to the attitude of those who are unfriendly and unsympathetic. It would be so much better for the world if men of to-day could exercise the proper judgment on passing men and things rather than to leave it to a succeeding generation. These observations are suggested by an editorial in Collier's Weekly concerning the character of Jefferson Davis, to whose memory a monument was unveiled in Richmond June 3rd. Collier's says that the monument was unveiled "in the physical presence of a vast crowd and in the moral presence of the entire South." And continuing its comments on the great Southerner it says: "Although Jefferson Davis can never command the sympathy of opponents as unreservedly as Lee or Stonewall Jackson, the bitterness so long felt toward him in the North has largely disappeared, and the purity of his character has won deserved recognition. During his lifetime he was the victim of that popular injustice that personifies causes and demands scapegoats for unpopular movements. Thus all the accumulated passions of war were concentrated upon the one man whose position made him represent the enemy in the popular mind. He was the lightning rod that drew the Northern wrath from associates who differed from him in nothing but the accident of official station. The people can see more clearly now, and Jefferson Davis is coming to be recognized as representing a type of statesmanship whose austere integrity would be useful in this commercial age, notwithstanding its mistaken views on the great political issues of its time."

**How Views Change With the Passing Years!**  
Bert Barber, of Elton, Wis., says "I have only taken four doses of your Kidney and Bladder Pills and they have done for me more than any other medicine has ever done. I am still taking the pills as I want a perfect cure." Mr. Barber refers to DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills, which are unequalled for Backache, weak kidney, inflammation of the bladder and all urinary troubles. A weeks treatment for 25c. Sold by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

## Our Life.

At the feet of the Father of all  
Some day we shall lay our gift;  
Time-stained, pitiful, small,  
Heavy and hard to lift.

Fettered and bowed by Fate—  
Since Destiny makes or mars—  
Nay, winged with strength elate,  
Handed down from the stars.

Free as the infinite air,  
Wide as the boundless sky;  
We have sought to keep it fair,  
We have tried to hold it high.

Father of all, when we come  
Bringing Thy dust to Thee,  
Will Thy voice of peace be dumb,  
Thy passion drowned in the sea?

Wilt Thou pity the gift we lay,  
Clasping warm to Thy breast  
The image of flame and clay  
Rendered at Thy behest?

—Ada Foster Murray.

## Electric House Cleaning.

(Selected.)

Almost every city now boasts of one or more professional house cleaners. A telephone call and the man who makes a business of electrical hygienic house cleaning will assume all the responsibility, hard work and profanity of the bi-annual reign of terror in the home.

The old method of stirring up the dust and allowing it to resettle is now obsolete. The new house-cleaning apparatus sucks up the dust and germs through tubes from floors, upholstery, carpets, rugs and any other place where it accumulates, and collects it in a receptacle. In addition to its hygienic perfection, this scheme has the advantage of ease and cheapness. The exhaust collector is driven by a small electric motor.

A large number of theatres, office buildings, churches and private residences are being equipped with individual house cleaning systems. The exhaust and dust collector are conveniently located in the basement and connected by pipes with the vacuum rooms where suitable flexible connections can be made.

Not only can the house be cleaned by electricity, but it can be kept clean by electricity. Just as the electric light has banished the smoky and ill-smelling kerosene oil lamp, so will electricity ultimately take the place of the dirty cook stove. Then the cooking will be done by electricity and the laundry work will be accomplished by the same agent. Small motors will be used to drive the floor polishers and carpet sweepers, the sewing machines, fans ventilators, and the dumb waiters. The houses will be heated by electricity instead of the bothersome, dusty furnace, and the home will be cleaner, healthier and more comfortable.

## In Absence of Pastor, Wife Delivered the Sermon.

Philadelphia, June 11.—With a picture hat jauntily arranged above a coiffure of latest model, Mrs. J. J. Hunt officiated Sunday in the pulpit of the Bethany M. E. church in the absence of her husband, who is the regular pastor.

Mr. Hunt had been invited to deliver the children's day sermon at a neighboring church. He suggested to Mrs. Hunt that she step into the breach and deliver the sermon, and they agreed.

Mrs. Hunt wore a white costume in the pulpit. On her head was a large picture hat of black, with a huge white feather towering above. The sermon was principally for children.

## Don't Think You are Old.

A certain amount of social life is absolutely essential to the old as well as to the young. A woman never grows so old that she ceases to enjoy the company of others, and generally the older she grows the more she enjoys it. It is always a pity to see a man fall into a state which he explains by saying: "Oh, we're getting old, and don't care so much for variety in our lives," says Woman's Life. In the pure selfishness of his soul he always speaks of "us" and "we," as if it naturally follows that because he is getting antiquated his wife must keep pace with him in his decline. Let him keep in touch with the world, and both he and his wife will be the better and the younger for it.

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The remedy on which all doctors agree.  
The prescriptions all your friends are taking is  
Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea.  
—E. T. Whitehead & Co.

## Paper Making—A Great Industry.

(L. P. Burnett, in Kind Words.)

The hornet, of whose sting we are all afraid, is the pioneer of paper making. Long before man thought of inventing paper of different kinds this little creature had its nest filled with the most delicate tissue paper. Men have ever been slow to learn from nature. Most of our modern inventions are but copies of things that have ever been. Doubtless weaving was suggested by the beautiful spider web, and the building of great dams by the clever work of the beaver.

Eighteen hundred years ago the Chinese learned from the wasp the secret of making paper from fibrous matter reduced to pulp. Now each province has its own method of making paper from the innermost bark of trees of different sorts. The young bamboo tree, which shoots up several inches in a night, is whitened, and makes beautiful paper. All of us have seen and admired the rice paper of the Chinese, that so resembles silken fabrics, and on which are painted fanciful designs. This is made from the crushed pulp, which is first cut in slender pieces six inches wide and twice as long. As in Japan, paper is an important product in China, and is used in immense quantities. On the graves of the dead quaint imitations of earthly things, made of paper, are used. Doors and windows are of paper, and many decorations. Their calling cards are unique, being often a yard long. The Chinese Emperor has a very large roll of paper for his visiting card.

Paper has been made in Japan since the beginning of the Christian era, and the ingenuity with which they have made different sorts of paper is wonderful. At first silk faced with linen was used, and then wood shavings. In 610 A. D. paper began to be made from vegetable fiber, and from then until now several hundred kinds, out of which the most artistic articles were made, which are known the world over.

Many shapes and colors, fans in bewildering array, tissue napkins (which have proved so popular in all lands), handkerchiefs, fancy umbrellas, and small articles without end. The homes of Japan are held up before the world as models of comfort and neatness. The walls are of paper, and the screens with which the rooms are divided. At the various expositions specimen of those picturesque little houses have been shown—these quaint little wood-and-paper houses that an American would call a "doll house."

Early the secret of the Chinese became known in Arabia and Persia and soon spread into Europe. The vellum, parchment, prepared sheepskin used for hundreds of years, were laid aside. Spain made paper from cotton eight hundred years ago, and later on a better quality from linen. France, Italy, and Germany became skillful in the art of paper making. A German, named Spielman, was knighted by Queen Elizabeth for establishing a paper mill in her kingdom.

In Delaware, near Chester Creek, the first paper mill was built in the United States, and the old hand process may still be seen there. This mill supplied Benjamin Franklin with paper. A familiar scene in those days was the old tin peddler going from house to house exchanging his bright new tinware for old rags with which to supply the paper mills. Some did a thriving trade, for a law was passed compelling the people to save their rags.

As usual, the shrewd Dutchman came to the aid of the small manufacturer who was making paper with only a crude mortar to crush the pulp. This invention proved of great help, and very soon other useful inventions followed. In 1798 Louis Robert, a Frenchman, made a web by which paper of great width, length, and uniform thickness could be made. An improvement on the machine was made by Messrs. Fourdrinier, booksellers of London, which was followed by still greater improvements by Americans. Today nothing is so common as paper, perhaps, in the United States. There are vast paper mills everywhere, supplying paper to the great newspapers and the printers of books and magazines.

A revolving cylinder for making coarse paper was invented by Mr. John Ames, of Springfield Mass. Poplar, spruce, and basswood are used in large quantities. The palmetto and banana tree yield excellent pulp. Even soft grass may be used, making a thin transparent paper. The paper used for bank notes is made from silk and linen. Fine letter paper is made largely from wood

pulp. Waste paper, straw, old ropes, jute, and Manila makes the common rough papers. The many thousand paper mills made millions of tons of paper each year. Paper has become as great a necessity as iron and is used in fully as many ways. Millions of post cards are made yearly for the government out of wood pulp.

Articles without number are made of paper. Paper car wheels are used, pencils, jewelry, bronzes, false teeth, ice cream freezers, rowboats, powder kegs, collars, blankets, and carpets, with hundreds of other things in daily use. The making of beautiful wall papers has reached a state of perfection.

What the world would do without paper, without its daily newspapers, its millions of books and magazines, is hard to realize.

Paper making is indeed one of the greatest industries of modern times.

## Climatic Wonders of Alaska.

(Selected.)

In parts of Alaska, says a returned gold miner now in Chicago, I have seen the thermometer register 73 degrees below zero, but owing to the dry atmosphere the cold was less severe on the system than right here in Chicago, with the thermometer at 20 degrees below. In Alaska the colder it gets the less the wind blows, so that when it gets really cold there is never enough wind to blow out a match, and sometimes a curl of smoke from the miner's cabin will rise a thousand feet and not spread out six inches. Up there 30 below is what we call shirt sleeve weather, and very few men wear an overcoat if it is warmer than 50 below. Of course they wear something over their ears and have on warm under-clothing and have on heavy foot-wear. One's ears will freeze at 30 below before he knows it, and many men had their feet frozen in the old pioneer days after getting them wet, because the character of the cold fooled them. That was why the papers used to be full of the terrible hardships of Alaska and of the many who had frozen their limbs in the cold winter time. It was a good deal like getting used to daylight for 24 hours in the summer time; men used to wear themselves out before they would go to bed, but all that is changed now, and we know how to take the climate, and it is the finest in the world when you get used to it. A man can accomplish things up there in the way of physical tasks that would seem like miracles down here.

## Canned Not a Few.

A canning factory at Ravenna, Texas, turned out last year 12,000 cans of beans, 8000 cans of blackberries, 50,000 cans of peaches, 45,000 cans of apples, 30,000 cans of tomatoes, 8000 cans of okra and potatoes, 10,000 cans of pumpkins, 5000 cans of hominy, 125 bushels of peach pits and 8 barrels of apple vinegar.—So. Farm Magazine.

## The Magic No. 3.

Number three is a wonderful mascot for Geo. H. Harris, of Cedar Grove, Mo., according to a letter which reads: "After suffering much with liver and kidney trouble, and becoming greatly discouraged by the failure to find relief, I tried Electric Bitters, and as a result I am a well man to-day. The first bottle relieved and three bottles completed the cure." Guaranteed best on earth for stomach, liver and kidney troubles, by E. T. Whitehead & Co., druggists, 50.

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"I have fired the walking-stick I've carried over 40 years, on account of a sore that resisted every kind of treatment, until I tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve; that has healed the sore and made me a happy man," writes John Garrett, of North Mills, N. C., Guaranteed for Piles Burns, etc., by E. T. Whitehead & Co., druggists, 25.

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The only question is how well will you do the work that is given to you.

You will be tempted to laziness. There is more laziness in the world than any of the other shortcomings.

If I prayed for a boy, it would be that he might have a hard task, thank God for it and measure up.

I am disposed to think that if the American boy is lacking in anything it is in self-reliance.

Don't get discouraged if you don't have an opportunity. Don't think you have made a mistake. All the world's work is drudgery, but the man who works only for the pay he gets can not stand more than eight hours, but the man who goes in for accomplishment does not mind spending 16 hours.

God bless the man with a scheme, an idea. It may be visionary, but it must be better than resting all the time.

Most boys, entering upon their life-work need industry. That is what I always tell them.—Leslie M. Shaw, of the U. S. Treasury.

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Very few Ohio people seem inclined to believe that Mr. Taft's slumbers are being disturbed by dreams of Mr. Knox sitting on his chest.—Washington Post.

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